

DISTRICT COURT (THIRD DISTRICT) [275]

JUDGMENT RECORD BOOKS, 1870-1896.

9 microfilm reels

DESCRIPTION: This series contains the judgment record and summarized case information of individual civil cases, including divorces, processed and filed in the various counties of the territorial Third District Court. A few of the last entries after statehood in 1896 pertain to the Third District Court in and for the county of Salt Lake. These records function as an abstracted reference source for all materials affecting the final judgment. A record typically includes the names of the parties, case number by the time the court started regularly assigning numbers to cases, stipulations and orders, findings of facts and conclusions of law, and a copy of the judgment or decree stating the results of the case including which party prevailed. Satisfaction of judgment may also be recorded. The judge, clerk, and filing date are noted as well.

ARRANGEMENT: The series is arranged roughly chronologically by filing date in alphabetically labelled volumes. There is some overlap in dates as the clerk often entered the parties before judgment was rendered or sometimes utilized a blank page at the end of the book to enter a forgotten earlier judgment. Retakes of poorly filmed pages appear spliced at the beginning of the appropriate reel. Judgment Book O was completed in a second volume labelled Judgment Book N.

RESEARCH NOTE: The Utah counties included in the Third District Court changed over the years. For a list of counties, the researcher should consult the Historical Jurisdiction Chart for the court.

RELATED RECORDS: Series 24809, JUDGMENT RECORD BOOK INDEXES, provides a direct plaintiff name index to volumes I through R, with the exception of K which is

indexed within the record book. CIVIL JUDGMENT DOCKETS, Series 24319, note the record book and page number for this series. The dockets themselves are name indexed in Series 24337, JUDGMENT DOCKET INDEXES. Most of these judgments are drawn from the CASE FILES, Series 9802.

After statehood in 1896, the each county in the district kept records separately. JUDGMENT RECORD BOOKS for the Third District Court in and for Salt Lake County after statehood are Series 11381.

CUSTODY HISTORY: The Judgment Books were maintained for the court by the Salt Lake County Clerk (ex-officio district court clerk) with the bulk of the series transferred to the Utah State Archives January 24, 1968.

PROCESSING NOTE: Judgment records since 1982 have had a permanent retention. It was decided to change the format of the judgment books to microfilm due to preservation problems with the original format (water damage, excessive dirt, brittle paper, and broken bindings) and the fact that the records themselves have no intrinsic value. Microfilming was completed in July of 1993. Series processing was completed by A.C. Cone in January 2003 when the series was separated from those records created by the statehood Salt Lake district court.

PREFERRED CITATION: Cite the Utah State Archives and Records Service, the creating agency name, the series title, and the series number.

CONTAINER LIST

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1	1870, Mar 16-1873, Apr 28 (Book A)
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8	1894, Mar 24-Dec 8 (Book P)
8	1894, Dec 8-1895, Jan 26 (Book Q p. 1-180)
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9	1895, Mar 20-Dec 5 (Book R)
9	1895, Dec 5-1896, Dec. 17 (Book S)